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## RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION **DATED JUNE 19, 2007**

Sir:

This paper is in response to the Office Action dated June 19, 2007, on which the shortened statutory period for filing a response expired on September 19, 2007. Accordingly, this response requires a one (1) month extension of time. A Petition for Extension of Time (1 month) is being filed together with this Response. Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to reconsider the rejection of the claims and to further examine the application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 9 of this paper.